

Sinclair Broadcast Group's decision to force partisan programming down the throats of its stations and their viewers is outrageous.

The airwaves belong to the people, and when we lease them to corporations we expect them to be used in non-partisan ways. The FCC is the guardian of the public interest on the airwaves, and I hope that it will take responsible action to ensure that these corrupt, partisan practices are not continued by Sinclair or any other of the mega-corporations that now have a stranglehold on our public discourse.

Clearly, steps must be taken to limit the power of broadcasting conglomerates and to bring about the flowering of local civic discourse that our democracy depends on and that new technologies permit in unprecedented ways.

Thank you.

-Steve McFarland